

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (*currently amended*) An ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus comprising:

- a central processing unit ~~(10)~~,
- a memory for storing at least personal information data of an owner of the apparatus.
- an interface means~~operatively connected to said processing unit and said memory~~
for providing access to asaid ~~memory area (11, 11', 11'')~~ for storing personal information data of the owner of the electronic device,
- a user interface ~~(13)~~ having at least
- an input means~~(14) module~~ for inputting operating commands, and
- an output means~~(15) module~~ for outputting information data,
- a locking means~~(17) module~~ for locking the ~~electronic device~~apparatus to prevent unauthorized use thereof if activated, and
- a retrieving means~~(18) module~~ operatively connected to said input module and said processing unit for operating the ~~electronic device~~apparatus upon receipt of at least one operating command so as to retrieve the personal information data stored in the memory area ~~(11, 11', 11'')~~, even if the locking means ~~(17) are~~ module is activated.

2. (*currently amended*) The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized by~~wherein ~~memory means (11) connected with the central processing unit (10) for providing~~provides the memory area ~~for storing personal information data of the owner of the electronic device~~apparatus.

3. (*currently amended*) The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized by~~wherein a SIM~~subscriber identity module~~ card ~~(10)~~ connected with the central processing unit~~(10)~~ wherein, and a memory means (11') provided on the SIM~~subscriber identity module~~ card ~~(10)~~ are~~is~~ used as the memory area ~~for storing personal information data of the owner of the electronic device~~apparatus.

4. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 3, ~~characterized by~~wherein an air interface provides for connecting the central processing unit (1) ~~with the memory area~~ for storing personal information data of the owner of the ~~electronic device~~apparatus, and wherein the memory area is provided by a remote memory means (11") ~~located at a server (30)~~ of a service provider.

5. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the air interface comprises an Rfa radio frequency module (31) ~~for use in a telecommunications network~~.

6. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the input meansmodule comprises a specific button (14') ~~for activating the retrieving means (18)~~module for obtaining the personal information data of the owner from the memory-area (11).

7. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the input meansmodule comprises a keypad (14) ~~for dialing~~entering a phone number and ~~in that~~wherein the retrieving means ~~(18)~~module comprises a comparator ~~means~~ for comparing a character sequence input via the keypad (140) ~~with a retrieving code and access means for~~ causing the retrieving module to retrieve ~~retrieving~~ personal information data of the owner from the memory-area.

8. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the retrieving means ~~(18)~~module comprises a menu control ~~means~~ for selecting a menu item for obtaining the personal information data of the owner from the memory-area (11).

9. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized by~~wherein an air interface provides for connecting the central processing unit (1) ~~with the memory area~~ for storing personal information data of the owner of the ~~electronic device~~apparatus, and wherein the memory area is provided by a remote memory means (11") ~~located at a server (30)~~ of a service provider.

10. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 2, ~~characterized by~~ wherein an air interface provides for connecting the central processing unit (1) ~~with the memory area for storing personal information data of the owner of the electronic device~~ apparatus, and wherein the memory area is provided by a remote memory means (11") ~~located at a server (30) of a service provider.~~

11. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the air interface comprises an Rfa radio frequency module (34) for use in a telecommunications network.

12. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the input ~~means~~ module comprises a specific button (14') for activating the retrieving ~~means~~ (18) module for obtaining the personal information data of the owner from the memory-area (11).

13. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the input ~~means~~ module comprises a keypad (14) for ~~dialing~~ entering a phone number and ~~in that~~ wherein the retrieving ~~means~~ (18) module comprises a comparator ~~means~~ for comparing a character sequence input via the keypad (140) with a retrieving code and ~~access means for~~ causing the retrieving module to retrieve ~~retrieving~~ personal information data of the owner from the memory-area.

14. *(currently amended)* The ~~electronic personal device~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the retrieving ~~means~~ (18) module comprises a menu control ~~means~~ for selecting a menu item for obtaining the personal information data of the owner from the memory-area (11).

15. *(new)* The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the personal information data includes at least the name and gender of said owner.

16. *(new)* The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the personal information data includes photographic information of the owner of the apparatus.

17. *(new)* The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the personal information data includes medical information of the owner of the apparatus.

18. *(new)* An apparatus comprising:

- means for processing,
- means for storing at least personal information data of an owner of the apparatus,
- means for providing access to said means for storing,
- means for inputting operating commands, and
- means for outputting information data,
- means for locking the apparatus to prevent unauthorized use thereof if said means for locking is activated, and
- means for operating the apparatus upon receipt of at least one operating command so as to retrieve the personal information data stored in the means for storing, even if the means for locking the apparatus is activated.

19. *(new)* A method comprising:

- storing at least personal information data of an owner of an apparatus in a memory,
- locking the apparatus to prevent unauthorized use thereof if a locking module is activated, and
- operating the apparatus upon input of at least a specific operating command so as to retrieve the personal information data stored in the memory even if the locking module is activated.